

## Bureau of Land Management, Interior

## § 3514.25

### **§ 3513.31 What is the effect of a suspension of operations (economic concerns)?**

This suspension does not affect the term of the lease or the annual rental payment. BLM will reduce the minimum annual production requirements of your lease in proportion to that part of the lease year for which a suspension of operations is effective.

### **§ 3513.32 How do I apply for a suspension of operations (economic concerns)?**

Send us two copies of your application which shows why your lease cannot be operated except at a loss.

### **§ 3513.33 When will my suspension of operations (economic concerns) take effect?**

Your suspension will be effective on the date BLM specifies. You do not have to pay royalty on minimum annual production beginning on the first day of the next lease month after the suspension becomes effective. If the effective date is the first of the month, you may stop paying royalty on minimum annual production on that day.

### **§ 3513.34 When and how does my suspension of operations (economic concerns) expire or terminate?**

The suspension of operations (economic concerns) ends on the expiration date that BLM specifies in the decision approving the suspension, or on the first day of the lease month in which you resume operations, whichever occurs first. Your obligation for minimum annual production resumes at this time.

## **Subpart 3514—Lease Relinquishments and Cancellations**

### **RELINQUISHING YOUR LEASE**

### **§ 3514.11 May I relinquish my lease or any part of my lease?**

If you can show, to BLM's satisfaction, that the public interest will not be impaired, you may relinquish your entire lease or any legal subdivision of it. Notify us in writing that you intend to relinquish all or part of your lease. Include your original signature and

date. If we approve your relinquishment, you are required to pay all accrued rentals and royalties, and to perform any reclamation of the leased lands that BLM may require. In some cases, BLM may require you to preserve any mines, productive works or permanent improvements on the leased lands in accordance with the terms of your lease.

### **§ 3514.12 What additional information should I include in a request for partial relinquishment?**

Any partial relinquishment must also clearly describe the lands you are relinquishing and give the exact area involved.

### **§ 3514.15 Where do I file my relinquishment?**

File the relinquishment in the BLM office that issued the lease.

### **§ 3514.20 When is my relinquishment effective?**

When BLM approves your relinquishment, it will be effective as of the date you filed it.

### **§ 3514.21 When will BLM approve my relinquishment?**

We will accept your relinquishment when you have met all terms and conditions of the lease, including reclamation obligations.

### **CANCELLATIONS, FORFEITURES, AND OTHER SITUATIONS**

### **§ 3514.25 When does my lease expire?**

(a) Sodium, sulphur, asphalt, and hardrock mineral leases expire at the end of the lease term. If you file a timely application for lease renewal under § 3511.27 of this part, your lease expires on the expiration date or the date BLM rejected your application, whichever is later.

(b) Potassium, phosphate and gilsonite leases continue for so long as you comply with the lease terms and conditions which are subject to periodic readjustment.

(c) For more information, see § 3511.15 of this part.